IN THE SPECIFICATION:

After the paragraph ending on page 7, line 21, please insert the following new paragraph:

--FIG. 6 is a schematic side view of the exit end of the preferred form of drying section of a paper machine in which the method and the device are in accordance with the invention as described.--

After the paragraph ending on page 7, line 43, please insert the following new paragraph:

--Referring to Fig. 6, Fig. 6 shows the final two dryer groups of a drying section made up entirely of top felted single tier or normal dryer groups, as is preferred. It will been seen that at the downstream or exit end of the dryer section, there is a source of moisture and temperature 52 to relieve or relax any strains that have arisen in the web during its drying in the drying section. It will be noted that while device 52 is located in the final end of the drying section, other similar devices or, in the alternative, steam boxes, may be located further upstream as may be seen in Fig. 1. However, since the most preferred location for device 52 is at the final end of the dryer section, the most preferred location is illustrated in Fig. 6.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 28 and 38, and amend claims 26, 34 and 39 as follows:

--26. A method of reducing the tendency of a paper web to curl in a paper machine, comprising the steps of:

asymmetrically drying the paper web in its thickness direction extending between the top and bottom sides of the paper web to a solids content at which curl-inducing stresses are formed in the paper web by passing the paper web through a plurality of top-felted